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1. During the morning on 2 September 1954, 16 MiG-15s were counted at Peenemuende airfield. Sixteen of the aircraft were parked in the southern portion of the field and 12 aircraft in front of a clearing toward the east. Additional aircraft were possibly parked at the edge of the woods where silvery shining dots were seen. Throughout 20 September, there was air activity by MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s.

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2. In early August, 5 special fuel containers with Cyrillic enlettering were unloaded at the Wolgast railroad station. Each of the containers was transported on a two-unit under-carriage with two axles each in the front and the rear. The containers were about 2.5 meters in diameter and 10 meters long. The vehicles were towed across the bridge and reloaded cars on the other side of the Peene River. It appeared that the axles were fitted only temporarily. It was believed that the tanks were to be used in a permanent fuel dump at Peenemuende airfield. <sup>2</sup>

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3. Between early August and mid-September, 10 to 16 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were parked at the field while 3 to 6 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were aloft. Throughout the reported period, there was intensive air activity. In early September, 3 Li-2s were additionally seen at the field. In mid-September, 4 wrecked aircraft were seen at the northern bank of the harbor of Peenemuende airfield. In mid-September, a MiG-15 or U-MiG-15 was seen flying back and forth to the northwest and southeast over the sea and parallel to the shore northeast of Peenemuende-Haken. The aircraft towed no air sleeve. <sup>1</sup>

4. During the morning in early October, 4 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s practiced firing at ground targets at Peenemuende airfield. The aircraft circled the target at an altitude of between 1,200 and 1,500 meters, dived at an angle of about 45 degrees when attacking and subsequently climbed lightly to the previous altitude. These practices were repeated four times, each of them lasting 30 to 40 minutes. About 1210, the aircraft landed again at intervals of 30 to 35 seconds. The aircraft taxied to the end of the runway, turned, taxied to the tank truck where they were refueled, and the aircraft were towed by

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A connecting taxiway extended from the runway junction in the northwestern part of the field toward the harbor. A mobile tank trucks and 8 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were parked in the [redacted] for [redacted] and the connecting taxiway. About 0 [redacted] ay in [redacted] the radio installation and two tank trucks [redacted] in the [redacted] truck proceeded to the runway and stopped near the [redacted] -15s or U-MiG-15s. Soldiers descended from the truck, [redacted] from the aircraft which subsequently, in four elements [redacted] toward the runway junction. Then the aircraft were seen [redacted] in elements of two in rapid succession so that all planes [redacted] airborne within less than a minute. The elements executed a light [redacted] rd the south and subsequently assembled in two formations of four aircraft and disappeared toward the west. After 25 to 30 minutes, the MiGs returned and landed individually in rapid succession. Similar practices which involved up to 12 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were repeatedly observed, 1

5. A spur track which extended to the north-northwest and apparently served a fuel dump had been constructed at the field north of Mueckenhof. The fuel dump was surrounded by a mesh-wire fence with barbed wire on top. Five fuel containers were embedded in the earth on the eastern side of the spur track. The individual filler necks were visible near the spur track. They were surrounded by earth, 120 to 140 cm high. The individual containers were about 8 meters long and 2.5 to 3 meters in diameter. Four vertical fuel containers 4.5 to 5 meters in diameter, were seen west of the spur track. They extended 3.5 to 4 meters above the ground. Behind these containers there was another uncovered container, about 8 meters long and 2.5 to 3 meters in diameter, which was apparently to be dug in. Twelve railroad tank cars were seen on the track. A locomotive shunted two of the cars into the fuel dump. The remaining cars which were apparently empty were attached to a waiting train and left. 2

1. [redacted] Comment. Peenemuende airfield is believed to be occupied by a naval fighter regiment. MiG-15 [redacted] is reported for the first time. Alert take-offs by 8 to 12 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s are normal in connection with the fall maneuvers.

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2. [redacted] Comment. The fuel dump north of Mueckenhof is reported for the first time.

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